

NATURE CENTER

Activities are held at Croydon Creek Nature Center, 240-314-8770. **Registration is required.** There are no registration deadlines unless otherwise noted and you may register for programs up until the day of the event. Programs may be conducted indoors or outside. Please remember to dress for the weather. Note: For children's programs, the fee is for the participating children. For programs that are for all ages (i.e., families) the fee is per person, including adults. **Croydon Creek Nature Center Hours: Tuesday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, 1-5 p.m.**

Beavers

Lodges, dams and pantries? That's right-beavers have it all! Learn about where they live, what they eat and how to find clues they leave behind.

#15394	Tue	Apr 12	10:00 am-11:00 am
\$4(R)/\$5(N)		Ages: 3-6	Site: CCNC

Science of Road Kill

Learn anatomy the best way possible-by being up to your elbows in intestines. Necropsies will be conducted to determine mortality, health of animal and to compare anatomy and physiology. We also will dive into the world of forensic science as we determine age, sex, time of death, stomach contents and preferred habitat. Strong stomachs required. Call Emily at 240-314-8770 with any questions or concerns regarding this program.

#15395	Sat	Apr 16	10:00 am-12 noon
\$5(R)/\$5(N)		Ages: 12 +	Site: CCNC

Evening Amphibians

These little animals can make a big noise! We'll search the park for peepers, gray treefrogs, American toads, wood frogs and salamanders. Learn a few frog calls of your own.

#15409	Fri	Apr 22	7:30 pm-8:30 pm
\$3(R)/\$4(N)		Ages: 4 +	Site: CCNC

Flowers

Spring is time for buzzing bees, awakening groundhogs and blossoming flowers. We'll learn why a plant makes a flower, why bugs visit them and why there are so many colors. We'll also hike and create your own blossoming garden to take home.

#15396	Tue	May 3	10:00 am-11:00 am
\$6(R)/\$8(N)		Ages: 3-6	Site: CCNC

Women in Science

Part of Croydon Creek's High School Science Lecture Series will feature nationally renowned women scientists from a wide variety of scientific fields. They will not only give a presentation on their educational backgrounds, work and research, but also encourage young women to pursue scientific careers through personal interaction following the program. Although the lecture is based on women in science and directed towards young women curious about the field, young men and adults are encouraged to attend. This program does not require pre-registration.

#15553	Sat	May 14	10:00 am-12 noon
\$5(R)/\$5(N)		Ages: 13-18	Site: CCNC

Living Fossils

Visit with the Horseshoe Crabs (who will soon turn 2 years old!) and learn what makes these creatures so unique. We'll play a game and make a craft.

#15399	Thu	May 26	10:00 am-11:00 am
\$5(R)/\$6(N)		Ages: 3-6	Site: CCNC

Bats - Nature's Bug Zapper

Vector of disease or helpful flying mammal? Learn which tales are facts and which one's are old wives' tales as we explore the evening for nature's insect eating machines. See how many and which species live in your neighborhood.

#15408	Fri	Jun 10	7:30 pm-8:30 pm
\$3(R)/\$4(N)		All Ages	Site: CCNC

School's Out Croydon's Carnivores Carnival

Carnivorous Plants

What is that beautiful plant with the bell-shaped flower? It's a carnivorous plant-real plants eat meat! Carnivorous plants supplement the poor soil quality where they naturally grow by absorbing the protein in insects. Venus flytraps are found only in a small area in North Carolina. You'll receive a high quality carnivorous plant, either a pitcher plant or a flytrap, and make a special terrarium for it so it will thrive, as well as take a hike in the woods for other unusual plants found here.

#15400	Fri	Apr 8	2:00 pm-3:30 pm
\$16(R)/\$17(N)		Ages: 7-12	Site: CCNC

Carnivorous Animals

Watch as we feed the snakes, turtles and toads that reside in the nature center. From worms to crickets to mice, see what animal eats what!

#15401	Fri	Apr 8	1:00 pm-2:00 pm
\$4(R)/\$5(N)		Ages: 5-12	Site: CCNC

SPECIAL EVENTS

Eggstravaganza	61
Go Fly a Kite	61
Pike's Peak	60
Pitch, Hit and Run	60
Ride for Rockville	50

Tiny Tot Walk

Amphibians

Frog, toads and salamanders-oh, my! Spring is the perfect time to listen and look for these metamorphic marvels. Note: Due to the popularity of Tiny Tot Walks, registration begins March 22.

#15402 Tue Apr 5 10:30 am-11:15 am
\$4(R)/\$5(N) Ages: 1½-2 yrs Site: CCNC

Wind

Let's go fly a kite! Feel the wind in your face as you run across the field, kite soaring. Note: Due to the popularity of Tiny Tot Walks, registration begins May 11.

#15403 Wed May 25 10:30 am-11:15 am
\$4(R)/\$5(N) Ages: 1½-2 yrs Site: CCNC

Bats

Flying mosquito eating machines! Bats are the only flying mammal and have some amazing adaptations. In addition to learning about these amazing mammals, we'll read a story, see a short video, and make a batty craft. Note: Due to the popularity of Tiny Tot Walks, registration begins June 2.

#15404 Thu Jun 16 10:30 am-11:15 am
\$4(R)/\$5(N) Ages: 1½-2 yrs Site: CCNC

Tyke Hikes

Tyke Hikes - Amphibians

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#15405 Tue Apr 5 1:00 pm-2:00 pm
\$4(R)/\$5(N) Ages: 3-5 Site: CCNC

Tyke Hikes - Wind

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#15406 Wed May 25 1:00 pm-2:00 pm
\$4(R)/\$5(N) Ages: 3-5 Site: CCNC

Tyke Hikes - Bats

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#15407 Thu Jun 16 1:00 pm-2:00 pm
\$4(R)/\$5(N) Ages: 3-5 Site: CCNC

2005 Summer Playgrounds Program

PLAY, PLAY, PLAY THE DAY AWAY!

Registration begins: May 2. Fee: TBA

**Arts Crafts Sports Games Trips Events Come Out And Play Sportsfest
Weekly Tennis and Swimming available**

Parents: Children must be 5 years old entering first grade to be eligible.
This is a local neighborhood drop-in, not a child care program.

Sites: Beall ES, Elwood Smith CC, King Farm Park, Lakewood ES,
Lincoln Park CC, Maryvale ES, Montrose CC, Potomac Woods Park,
Twinbrook ES, Woodley Gardens Park

C.L.I.C.K

Creative Learning in Crafts for Kids

Ages 3-5

2 mornings per week at each Playground.

For information, phone 240-314-8633 or E-mail krawlins@rockvillemd.gov